



## **"Passionate, Spirited, and Totally Urban!"**

Dear Promising Presenter,

Experience the exhilarating energy of **Eleone Dance Theatre**. More than just a dance company in a dance performance, **Eleone** is a dance experience. Co-directed by Shawn-Lamere Williams, Artistic Director and Sheila A. Ward, Executive Director since 1998, this incorporated, non-profit Philadelphia-based professional dance company was founded by E. Leon Evans in 1995. **Eleone is a PENNPAT Roster Artist** presenting modern dance that is "passionate, spirited, and totally urban."

An important part of **Eleone's** philosophy is to cultivate future audiences and artists among the underserved. This is accomplished by providing affordable dance training, performances, and experiences to the community. The company has a 12-member core of professional dancers, 3 apprentice dancers, and a second company called "**Eleone Connection.**" In addition to our diverse repertoire, **Eleone** offers a holiday dance musical entitled, "**Carols in Color,**" and a historical journey through dance accompanied by music, spoken text, and visual images highlighting the emergence of African-Americans called "**From These Roots.**"

**Eleone Dance Theatre** is dedicated to the preservation and creation of historical and contemporary theatre dance. We offer a variety of performances and programs. In many cases, we are able to custom design performances to meet your specific needs. **Eleone** is also available for school performances and residencies. We will also provide assistance for collaborative grants.

Please peruse the information enclosed. We are hopeful that **Eleone Dance Theatre** is a part of your performing arts series this year. Thank you very kindly for your time and consideration and I hope to hear from you soon.

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Sincerely,

**Sheila A. Ward, Ph.D.**  
*Executive Director*